

1 records received shows Counsel has received at least 50 CARs, the majority of
2 which were filed in June 2022. This has caused an unusually large number of
3 cases that have merit briefs due in the months of August and September. For the
4 weeks of October 3, 2022 and October 10, 2022, Counsel currently has 11 merit
5 briefs, and several letter briefs and reply briefs. Additional time is needed to
6 thoroughly brief this matter for the Court.

7 Also, as previously reported, Counsel for Plaintiff underwent major
8 orthopedic surgery in March 2022, requiring significant physical therapy. This has
9 required Plaintiff's counsel to take time off during the work week and work
10 months since then. Although much improved, Counsel still participates in regular
11 physical therapy two to three times per week.

12 Lastly, Counsel for Plaintiff and his husband are expecting their fourth child
13 through surrogacy and time off or a reduction in workhours during the last week of
14 October 2022 is expected.

15 Defendant does not oppose the requested extension. Counsel apologizes to
16 the Defendant and Court for any inconvenience this may cause.

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19 Respectfully submitted,

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ORDER

Based upon the foregoing stipulation of the parties (Doc. 17), and for good cause shown (Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b)(4)),

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Plaintiff shall have an extension of time, to and including December 5, 2022, in which to file Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment. All other deadlines set forth in the Scheduling Order (Doc. 11) shall be extended accordingly.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: **September 27, 2022**

/s/ Sheila K. Oberto
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE